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Please delete the paragraphs on page 66, lines 17 to 24 and replace with the following paragraphs (a marked up version of these paragraphs is included in Attachment A).

Figure A-2 - An example of one embodiment of a multilevel business processing relationship to be modeled in an FSO business system

Figure A-2 graphically illustrates one example of a multilevel business processing relationship that may be modeled in an FSO business system using a processing relationships configuration program according to one embodiment. An FSO user or any other person or persons familiar with the FSO organization may create a graphical diagram similar to Figure A-2 to reflect the FSO business organization.

Please delete the paragraph on page 68, lines 6 to 10 and replace with the following paragraph (a marked up version of this paragraph is included in Attachment A).

By using a processing relationships configuration program and its associated display screens, as described in Figures A-3 through A-9, the FSO user may configure the processing relationship structure. At the end of the configuration process, Figure A-9 may describe a processing relationship structure, which may be equivalent to the multilevel business processing relationship illustrated in Figure A-2.

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Figures A-3 through A-8 describe various embodiments of configuring the processing relationship structure, described in Figure A-2, using various interactive computer display screens generated by a processing relationship configuration program.

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Figure A-6 illustrates one embodiment of a screen 150 for the user configuration of processing relationships using a processing relationship configuration program in an FSO system. This example shows a processing relationship structure, such as that illustrated in Figure A-2, which has been fully defined. The descendents of a first node in the processing relationship structure may appear directly beneath the node; after the descendents of the first node, a second node on the same level may appear, and then the second node's dependents, and so on. One or more columns may be indented to represent the processing relationship structure's levels. In this example, the description fields are indented to represent the levels.

Please delete the paragraph on page 74, lines 1 to 15 and replace with the following paragraph (a marked up version of this paragraph is included in Attachment A).

Figure A-9 illustrates one embodiment of a computer model of the multilevel processing relationship structure illustrated in Figure A-2, showing the node identifiers assigned by a user, and the node numbers assigned by the processing relationship configuration program, to the nodes and node instances by the methods outlined in Figures A-3 through A-8. In the example shown in Figure A-9, the user has created instances of all the nodes, and assigned node identifiers to all of the nodes. All node instances have been assigned unique node numbers. Node 250, the root level node, and the only node on level zero, has been assigned a node number of 0. In one embodiment, the root level node may serve only as the root level node for the rest of the nodes in the processing relationship structure, and may not have an instance created. In one embodiment, nodes on level one may be specified as subsystem nodes. One instance of issuer node 252 at level one has been created and assigned a node identifier of 10 by the user, and a